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UNC PEMBROKE

ARMSTRONG

107	Final	1	2	T	98
	UNC PEMBROKE (18-8, 11-5 PBC)	43	64	107	
	ARMSTRONG (13-10, 9-7 PBC)	54	44	98	





Posted: Feb 20, 2013

SAVANNAH, Ga. - The UNC Pembroke men's basketball squad shot 64.7 percent from the floor in the second half, erasing an 11-point halftime deficit to collect a 107-98 Peach Belt Conference victory over host Armstrong Atlantic State University on Wednesday evening at Alumni Arena.

The Braves (18-8, 11-5 PBC) now hold a two-game lead over the Pirates (13-10, 9-7 PBC) for second place in the Peach Belt's East Division with three games to play. The Pirates have now lost three straight.

Armstrong hit eight three-pointers in the first half to take a 54-43 lead into the break. PBC leading scorer **Aric Miller** had 18 points at halftime and **Kelcey Walker** had a season-high 12 points before intermission as well.

UNC Pembroke rallied in the second half behind Shahmel Brackett, who had 28 of his game-high 37 points after halftime. A Brackett bucket drew the Braves even at 72-all with 11:44 remaining and then a three-pointer by Brackett gave the Braves their first lead of the

GAME LEADERS		
UNC PEMBROKE		
Pts: Shahmel Brackett - 37		
Reb: Ben Jacobs - 12		
Ast: Quamain Rose - 7		
ARMSTRONG		
Pts: Aric Miller - 25		
Reb: Darius Morales - 10		
Ast: Aric Miller - 6		
TEAM STATS		
UNC PEMBROKE		ARMSTRONG
(39-73)	Field Goals	(35-74)
53.4%	Field Goal %	47.3%
46	Rebounds	37

second half, 90-88, with 4:38 left.

The three sparked a 12-2 run over the next minute and a half to build a nine-point lead, 99-90, with 2:53 remaining. Armstrong cut the deficit to three, 101-98, on a three-point play by **Darius Morales** and had a three-point attempt by **Kenny Bellinger II** to tie it with a minute left, but the Braves secured the rebound and scored the final six points of the game for the win.

Miller scored 25 points to go with six assists but fouled out with 3:14 remaining in the second half. Walker finished the game with a season-high 15 points while Morales notched his first double-double of the season with 15 points, 10 rebounds and five blocked shots. **J.C. Winn** added 12 points and **Antroine Williford** added 11 points.

Brackett led five Braves players in double figures with his 37-point outburst on 12-of-18 shooting from the floor, including 3-of-4 three-pointers and 10-of-12 from the free throw line. Reigning PBC Player of the Week George Blakeney shook off a slow first half to finish with a double-double of 18 points and 10 rebounds, while Ben Jacobs added a double-double off the bench with 16 points and 12 rebounds. Quamain Rose chipped in 13 points and Alex Bradley notched 11 points.

Armstrong will hit the road for its final three games of the 2012-13 regular season, beginning on Saturday with a 7:30 p.m. matchup at USC Aiken in Aiken, S.C.



16	Assists	17
16	Turnovers	14
23	Pts off Turnovers	21
31	2nd Chance Pts	22
54	Pts in the Paint	42
11	Fastbreak Pts	6
35	Bench Pts	27

FULL STATS

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